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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Report on the Modifications to the Previously Approved Sanilac Intermediate School District Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services

Pursuant to Section 380.1711 of the School Code of 1976, each intermediate school district must develop, establish, continually evaluate, and modify its Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services (Plan). Approval indicates that intermediate school districts' and local constituent districts' special education programs and services described in the Plan meet standards which are consistent with federal and state requirements. Approval also allows intermediate school districts to receive reimbursement pursuant to the State School Aid Act.

Staff has reviewed, and I have granted approval of the Sanilac Intermediate School District Plan modifications. See Attachment A for a summary of the Sanilac ISD Plan modifications.

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**Sanilac Intermediate School District
Summary of Special Education Plan Changes
2007-2008**

**Continuum of Programs
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Programs have been added that are not currently in the Sanilac Intermediate School District (ISD) Plan. Marlette Community Schools now has an Elementary Resource Room. Sanilac ISD now has a Secondary Emotionally Impaired Program. This allows for a wider continuum of programs available to meet student needs as identified by individualized educational programs.

**Secondary Transition Program and Alternative Career Education
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The Secondary Transition Program and the Alternative Career Education (ACE) Program both needed to be described more clearly and the function/role of each needed to be more defined as to the types and numbers of students enrolled.

The number of students who have educational needs addressed in the ACE Program has grown. They have greater needs that require the curriculum to cover a wider scope of vocational training. An additional component of participation/support in Career Technical Education Programs at the Sanilac Career Center has been added and now includes those students with Mild Cognitive Impairments who need support in the vocational setting to be successful.

A greater age range of students (14-25) will be able to attend the ACE Program, as well as an expanded curriculum will be provided to meet the individual needs of a wider range of students.

**Low Incident Programs Exceptions
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This allows for a wider age span of students (3-25) in a Low Incidence Program in an area that currently has very limited numbers of students across the Sanilac ISD. At this time, the Sanilac ISD does not operate a Severely Multiply Impaired Program (SXI). It will be needed in the future based on declining population trends in low incidence programs.